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APPLICANT: Sten Kvist et al.

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FOR: PROCESS FOR THE FRACTIONATION OF CEREAL BRANS

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

This is in response to the Office Communication dated June 30, 2008.

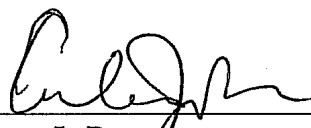
Claim 1 has now been amended to incorporate Claim 2 and Claim 5. Claim 2 contained the definition of bran which is used in the process. Claim 5, which is now lines 15-20 of claim 1, encompasses the process of Example 8 in the specification. Original claim 1 covered the process described in Examples 1 and 2 of the specification wherein claim 8 is a continuation of the process described in these examples. The cleaned bran, the starting material in Example 8, is the same as the insoluble (fibrous) fraction obtained in the process of Examples 1 and 2. In Example 8 the insoluble fibrous fraction is fractionated further. The remaining changes to Claim 1 were to introduce consistency with the description in the Specification and the naming of the different fractions obtained at various stages of the fractionation process. For example, in Example 8 there is a description of separating the insoluble phase (insoluble dietary fiber) being separated from the solubles. The solubles are

then pumped through another two-phase decanter wherein the heavy phase (aleurone protein-rich fraction) is separated from the light phase. By removing terms such as pericarp and aleurone fractions, the terms are now consistent and described as a fibrous fraction and a soluble fraction. Thus, no new matter has been added.

In view of the foregoing, the Applicants believe that claims 1-4, 6-8, 10-28, 31, 33-34, 36-38, and 42-44 are now considered to be in condition for allowance and should be allowed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any extension and/or fee that is required to
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Respectfully submitted,

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